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By PAUL CRUME

ON A RECENT trip to Austin I visited the new undergraduate academic center at the University of Texas and have to report that things have changed. Study has become a luxury.

This new building is as close an approximation to the Palace of Versailles as an undergraduate is entitled to. Its great halls faced in shining marbles and other polished stones open on large courtyards where tackle-sized statues lie around on pedestals, presumably to remind the student that he had better not lie down on the job. At the front are a couple of enormous figures in stone that look like the spirit relay team making a world's record with the torch of learning.

There are richly furnished sitting rooms in this building and a great many comfortable nooks for chatting, and some of the halls are lined with oils of famous old university men. There was one of Dean Parlin looking like a particularly merry monk in his academic robes. Dr. Mather in his spade beard looked like Mr. P. Stophila.

This undergraduate study hall is so richly done and so elegant that you wonder what the university has in mind for its graduate students.

THE IDEA of the center is to give the student direct access to the materials for learning, especially books, even rare books. The student helps himself. When he leaves, he shows his belongings to a policeman at the door so that none of the university's more precious possessions will be carried out for home work.

We were informed that this policeman has been nicknamed Charlie because he is The Chief.

Love Field Braces for Thousands

By CARL FREUND

Dallas police said Thursday night they anticipate that "thousands of well-wishers" will jam Love Field to greet President Kennedy when his jet airliner lands there Friday morning.

Police Capt. Glen King said officers anticipate parking lots at the airport will be filled long before the scheduled arrival of the President at 11:35 a.m.

Capt. King said police will divert additional cars into an auxiliary lot which motorists may reach by turning right off Cedar Springs Road after passing the Ramada Inn.

Meanwhile, the U.S. Weather Bureau forecast cloudy skies and occasional showers.

A motorcade will carry President Kennedy, Vice-President Lyndon Johnson, Sen. Ralph Yarborough, Gov. John Connally and most Texas congressmen from the airport through flag-bedecked Downtown Dallas to the Trade Mart on Stemmons Freeway.

Ed Reynolds, president of the Dallas Retail Merchants Association, urged owners and tenants of Main Street buildings to fly the U.S. flag. He said the association also arranged for overhead decorations.

Former Vice-President Richard Nixon, who ran against President Kennedy in 1960, joined police in urging Dallas residents to give President and Mrs. Kennedy



Storm of Political Controversy Swirls Around Kennedy on Visit

Split State Party Continues Feuds

By ROBERT E. BASKIN
News Staff Writer

HOUSTON, Texas—President Kennedy wound up a day of "nonpolitical" campaigning in the Lone Star State Thursday night with almost a hurricane of political controversy swirling about him.

The divided Texas Democratic party continued its feuds as the President visited San Antonio and Houston in balmy springlike weather with large and mostly curious crowds turning out to see him and the First Lady.

The day got off to a bad start, politically, even before the presidential jet reached San Antonio in early afternoon.

Sen. Ralph Yarborough, in the same plane as the President, jet go with a blast at Gov. John B. Connally as the big plane speeded toward Texas.

Yarborough, in effect, issued a statement in which he was sharply critical of Connally for failing to invite him to a reception at the Governor's Mansion Friday evening.

Yarborough Statement Criticizes Connally

"I've had many telephone calls and letters from friends because Mrs. Yarborough and I were not invited to the mansion," Yarborough said.

"I want everyone to join hands in harmony for the greatest wel-

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come to the President and Mrs. Kennedy in the history of Texas." But then Yarborough added:

"Gov. Connally, is so terribly uneducated governmentally, how could you expect anything else?"

Subsequently, Connally and Yarborough both rode with the President on the flight from San Antonio to Houston, but it was not known whether any effort was made by the President to patch up the Texas Democratic intraparty battle.

Asked for comment on Yarborough's remarks, Connally issued the following statement Thursday night:

"The purpose of all our efforts has been to warmly welcome to Texas the President and vice-president and their ladies.

"I am glad they have been so received in a true Texan manner."

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We were informed that this policeman has been nicknamed "Gus" because he is the "check point."

Dewitt Reddick said the new building often saves a student as much as 45 minutes in getting a book. In my day, we weren't in that much of a hurry to get to a book.

On the day we visited the center, though, it was pretty crowded with kids that looked like your high school daughter or son, all poring over books. They say that this is true even on Saturday afternoon when the nation's Number 1 football team is at its labors in the stadium a few blocks away. The college youngsters seem more serious now than they were in our day—and handsome and prettier and altogether appealing.

An old grad is somewhat stunned by displays in the undergraduate center. You suddenly realize that the university isn't a new, raw school any more, that it is getting old, and that its past is rich in men, ideas and history.

YOU CAN run into almost anything in this building. Clitus Jones was up there on the day we visited it when he should have been out recruiting. Up on the fourth floor we met Arno No-wotny, the dean of student life, for the first time in years, the kind of wonderful man who stays around our schools, thank the Lord.

Henderson Shuffler was up there in his Texas collection. He had on display some thousands of volumes from the university's rare books on the West including a large section from Frank Dobie's collection of books and western art. He said he hoped with this to interest students in collecting and in some of the great collectors.

After a couple of hours in this building, I thought Henderson's project a little dubious. Probably there aren't any more books to collect.

The university seems to have them all.

Sellout Expected For Andre Previn

Advance ticket sales indicate that Andre Previn's return to Dallas in the season's first One Dollar Concert, Thursday, Dec. 5, will be a repeat of last year's sellout.

To avoid disappointment, order your tickets by mail today or pick them up at one of the several convenient Dallas locations.

For complete details and a handy mail order blank, see ad, Sec. 2, Page 17.

Kennedy in 1960, joined police in urging Dallas residents to give President and Mrs. Kennedy "a courteous reception."

Nixon, who was in Dallas for a meeting of top Dallas business leaders, said disconcerting crowds "harm their own cause and help their opponents."

One anti-Kennedy faction scattered leaflets which condemned the President for his stand on integration. The leaflets also criticized U.S. foreign policy.

U.S. Atty. General Sanders said he was investigating to determine whether the leaflets violated federal laws. Police Chief Jesse Curry said anyone found scattering leaflets would face prosecution for violating "littering" ordinances.

Most downtown firms will give employees time off to see the motorcade.

President Kennedy will ride in a blue convertible. If rain is falling, a plexiglass bubble will protect him.

The specially built car was flown here for use in the motorcade.

Police said the motorcade will move slowly so that crowds can get a good view of President Kennedy and his wife.

Democratic leaders said they were still hoping President Kennedy will make an impromptu speech when he leaves his plane at gate 36 on the east concourse of Love Field. This is the area where Mexicana Airlines flights normally land and unload.



President Kennedy at San Antonio's Aerospace Medical Center is followed by Mrs. Kennedy, Vice-President and Mrs. Johnson.

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It reflected opposition to Connally's stand against the public accommodations section of the administration's civil rights bill pending in Congress and against his opposition to the federal court order here to force congressional redistricting. The latter was stayed by the U.S. Supreme Court pending appeal.

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At a testimonial dinner he hailed Thomas as a congressman who "is consistently loyal to his party—but stays above petty partisan rancor."

But the political situation overshadowed all of the President's activities.

The Yarborough feud with the dominant machinery of the state Democratic party carried over into the motorcades in both San Antonio and Houston, with Yarborough refusing to take his assigned seat in both cities in cars bearing Vice-President and Mrs. Lyndon B. Johnson.

There was widespread speculation that Kennedy might take some action to try to heal the rift in the Texas party.

He talked to Yarborough and Connally together on the San Antonio-Houston flight. In the presence of Congressman Thomas and Henry B. Gonzalez of San Antonio and others. But the substance of the conversation was not learned.

Kennedys Appear in Radiant Good Humor

The President and Mrs. Kennedy appeared in radiant good humor as they drove in motorcades through San Antonio and Houston.

There were no demonstrations, but a few "Goldwater-64" signs were floundered along the route in San Antonio.

Kennedy's praise of Congressman Thomas at the dinner in his home was almost unprecedented in the enthusiasm with which he delivered it.

"In Texas and the nation," Kennedy said, "change has been the law of life. Growth has meant new opportunities. Progress has meant new achievements."

"And men such as Albert Thomas—men who recognized the value of growth and progress—have enabled this city and this state to rise with the times of change instead of being swept aside."

The 48-year-old Thomas has been considering retirement, but he has said that his doctors will be the final arbiters on his decision.

Kennedy flew to Fort Worth late Thursday night and was greeted by a crowd estimated at 3,500 by Fort Worth Police Chief Cato Highower.

His plane touched down at Carswell Air Force Base at 11:07 p.m. About four minutes after another jet carrying Vice-President Lyndon Johnson and his party landed.

The President will speak at a Fort Worth breakfast Friday, then fly to Dallas for a luncheon before proceeding to Austin for a \$100-a-plate fund-raising dinner Friday night.

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